

The Concept System Method



Concept Mapping

Uses information from *individuals* to:

- identify group shared vision
- represent group ideas pictorially
- encourage teamwork
- facilitate group decision making



Steps in Concept Mapping 1. Create a focus





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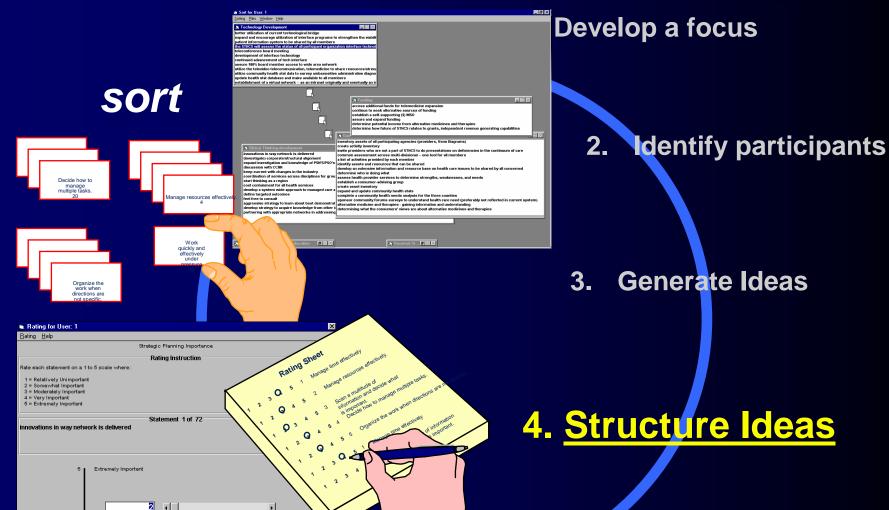
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3. Generate Ideas







Relatively Unimportant

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- Multidimensional scaling
- Hierarchical cluster analysis

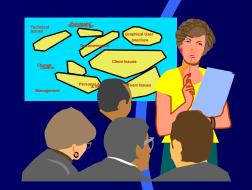
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5. Compute Maps



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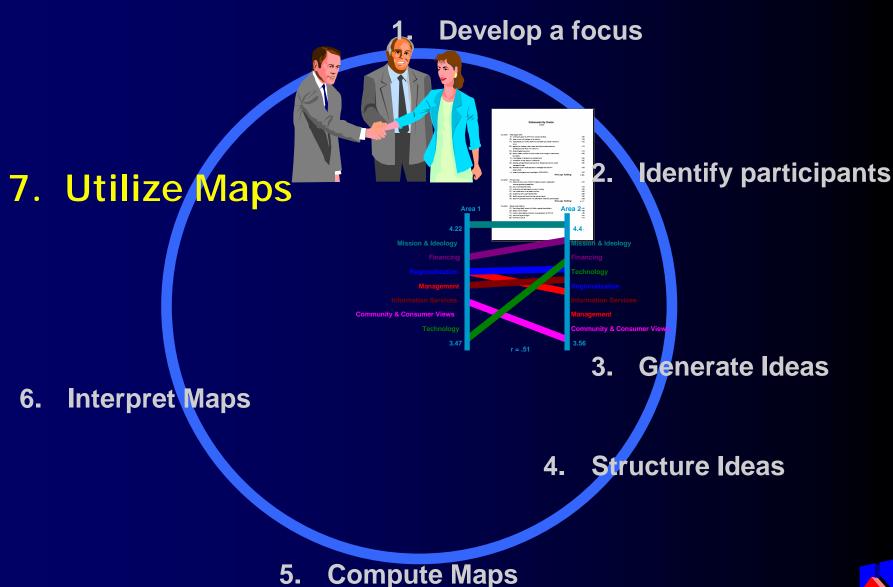
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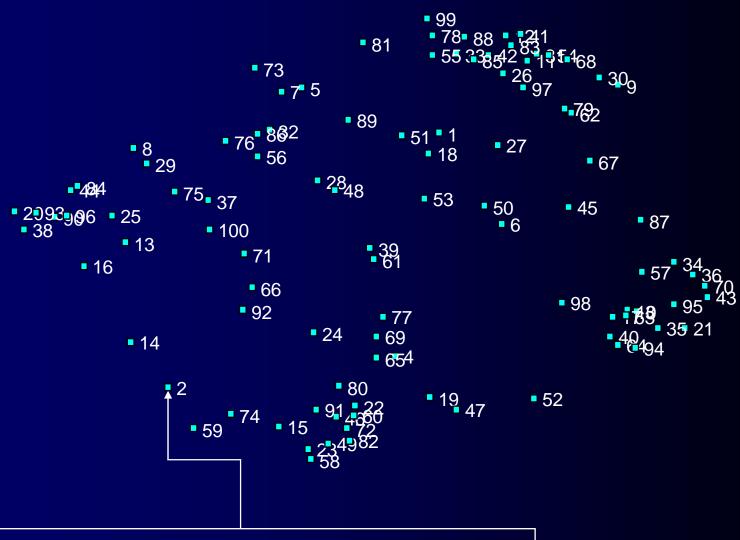




Here's how we build the Concept Map



This initial map shows all the elements in relation to each other.



Each point represents one of the brainstormed ideas



Conceptually <u>similar ideas</u> are in <u>close proximity</u> as a result of most individuals sorting these items together.

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Conceptually different ideas are further apart.

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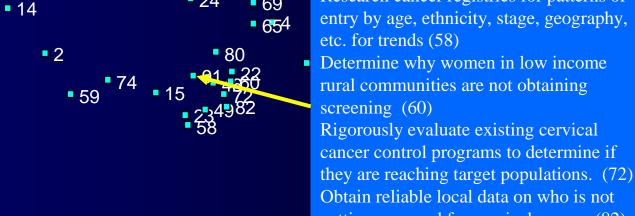
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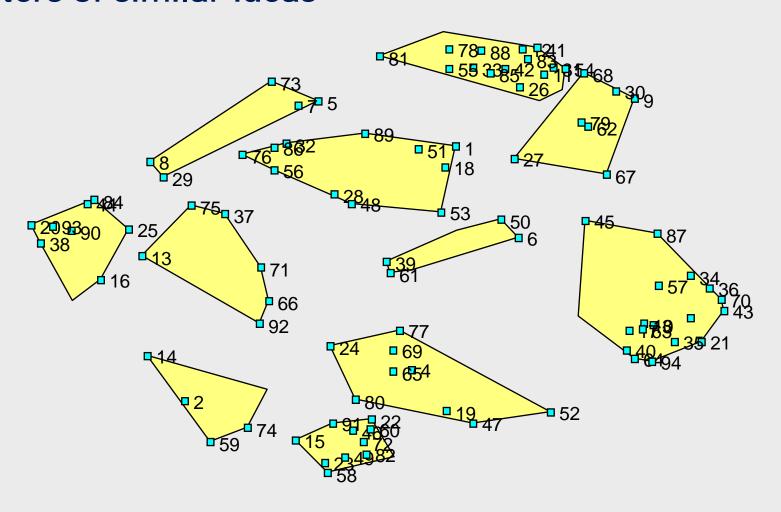


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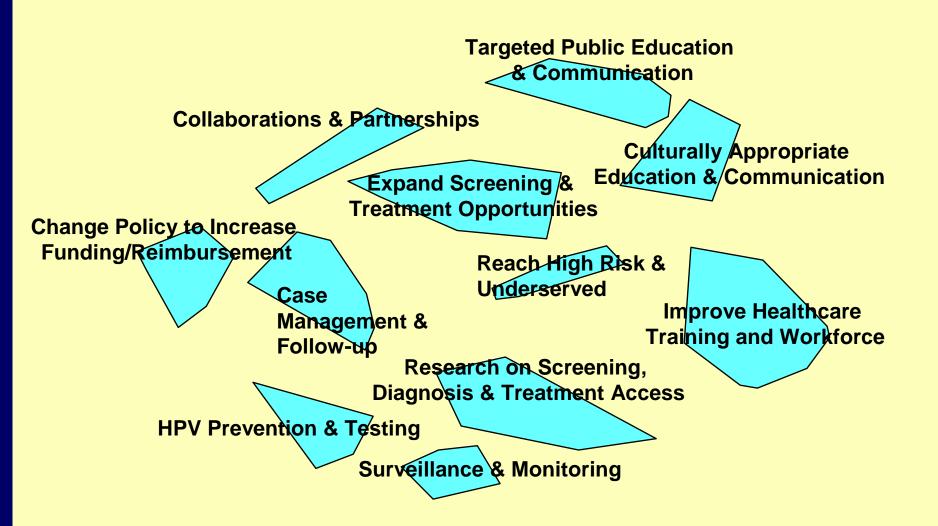


This map shows how the elements were grouped into clusters of similar ideas

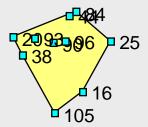




This map shows how each of the concepts was labeled to describe the theme expressed by the underlying ideas



Policy to increase funding and reimbursement



Have National Breast & Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program revisit its policy regarding screening intervals (i.e. every 3 years if consecutive, normal Paps) (16)

Develop a sense of urgency to policy makers about this disease - no woman should die from cervical cancer, if detected early (20)

Reimburse cervical cancer screening at higher rates (25)

Lobby for increased funding/staff for the National Cancer Institutes (NCI) special population networks. (38)

Develop a process to identify and acquire funding from public & private sources for patient treatment and education. (44)

Provide Medicaid coverage for a minimum of a year for all uninsured women with invasive cancer. (84)

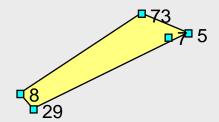
Fully fund the CDC Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Programs (90)

Advocate in the legislative arena to ensure that system changes are for the benefit and in the interest of patients. (93)

Address insurance coverage issues such as restricted number of visits & continuity of care. (96)

Assess the impact of immigration laws on access to cervical cancer services (105)

Collaboration and Partnerships



Encourage CIS partnerships to focus more attention on cervical cancer. (5)

Develop Community Advisory Board of local leaders and health professionals to identify community strategies. (7)

Collaborate with Mexico regarding screening and follow-up of women who migrate to and work in US (8)

Encourage cancer centers, academic institutions and community-based organization to work towards the common goal (29)

Provide support groups for women with cervical cancer. (73)

Targeted Public Education & Communication

Provide effective intervention models and materials from studies to health departments for distribution. (11)

Focus educational interventions regarding HPV and safe sexual practices on adolescents (12)

Distribute county-specific educational information that includes information about the availability of screening (26)

Address the risk factors (i.e., smoking, sexual activity) through campaigns and Public Health Education (31)

Involve Cooperative Extension programs in all public education/awareness initiatives. (33)

Direct an educational campaign at men, focusing on HPV and its role, and thus role of men, in cervical cancer (41)

Use community gatherings (e.g., mantanzas, feast days, ceremonial dances) as opportunities to teach women about regular PAPs (42)

Reinforce screening message via mass media campaigns (54)

Work with other health education initiatives and non-traditional partners to educate about cervical cancer issues. (55)

Train high school girls from target ethnic groups/regions to encourage peers to obtain Pap smears. (78)

Get more involvement of faith community in screening and follow-up (81)

Promote the dissemination of information through rural community educators regarding the "why," of annual Pap tests (83)

Implement a public health campaign to reduce cervical cancer stigma (85)

Integrate age appropriate informational programs into all curricula in school health programs for middle schools and up. (88)

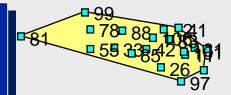
Women with STD's should receive education on cervical cancer. (97)

Provide abstinence courses for teens (99)

Provide educational materials and referral systems in county offices, WIC programs, waiting rooms and other public places (101)

Promote sister to sister, daughter to mother, nieces to aunt communication campaign (106)

Provide low literacy information on radical hysterectomy, chemotherapy, radiation (107)



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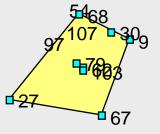
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Develop interventions that are culturally sensitive to the Hispanic population on the border. (67)

Feature survivors from different races, backgrounds who followed the guidelines for screening in promotional materials (68)

Use lay educators who are survivors in Latino, African American, and Native American communities to promote Pap Smear screening (79)

Utilize pharmacies for patient education, especially those with patient assistance programs (103)



Improved Healthcare Training & Workforce

Encourage physicians to review screening history and advise about screening at each visit by a woman, including Medicare beneficiaries (3)

Utilize professional incentives to encourage more health providers in cancer control. (10)

Encourage/mandate primary care providers and OB GYN physicians to screen and educate for HPV. (17)

Train nurses and Physician Assistants to perform Pap tests and clinical follow-up (21) Ensure culturally-competent care in primary, secondary and tertiary prevention and treatment of cervical cancer among at-risk (34)

Increase the number of nurses, physician assistants and physicians who are trained to do colposcopy (35)

Ensure cultural competence among health care providers (36)

Develop clear guidelines for providers on evaluation and management of abnormal screening results. (40)

Train providers to provide better communication about the process of diagnostic follow-up and treatment when an abnormal pap does occur. (43)

Train patient navigators. (45)

Have WOMEN providers doing the exams - in some cultures, that's the better way (57)

Encourage providers who are not women's health specialists to perform cervical cancer screening according to guidelines (63)

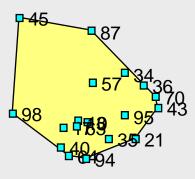
Improve follow up and reminder systems to enable MDs to recommend Pap tests (64)

Train more OB/Gyns and FPs who are members of minority communities. (70) Increase patient & provider knowledge of research activities and opportunities for participation in clinical trials (87)

Define clinical competencies in cervical cancer screening for Physicians, Nurse Practitioners and Physician Assistants (94)

Involve other health providers (alternative & complementary medicine, chiropractors, dieticians) in education, treatment and research (95)

Implement cervical screening reminder systems conducted by administrative staff in physician offices. (98)



Research on Screening, Diagnosis & Treatment Access

Assess target groups' attitudes, beliefs and values about screening and treatment (4)

A request by the American College of Surgeons liaison to physicians for a Patient Care Evaluation (PCE) study on cervical cancer. (19)

Monitor Medicaid managed care providers on cervical cancer screening and treatment (24)

Ask health care providers what they perceive as deficits in cancer care and screening. (47)

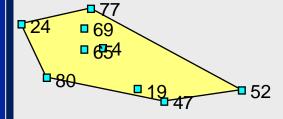
Assess health care professionals expertise and willingness to counsel patients on prevention esp. STD transmissions (52)

Assess the introduction of other types of screening tests, (e.g. Thin Prep, at-home), into high-risk populations (65)

Improve tracking/follow-up systems to ensure women receive appropriate diagnostic and treatment services. (69)

Test management of the abnormal Pap Smear that can be done in a single visit on a larger scale. (77)

Determine the availability of screening and treatment facilities available to women (80)



Surveillance & Monitoring

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Rigorously evaluate existing cervical cancer control programs to determine if they are reaching target populations. (72)

Obtain reliable local data on who is not getting screened for cervical cancer (82)

Identify the variation in quality of laboratories reading the smears (91)

Get data on the number of providers in an area, how often a provider recommends Pap tests, how often a provider performs Pap tests, the number of facilities for follow-up, and the wait times (108)



HPV Prevention & Testing

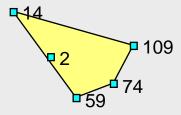
Develop and administer a vaccine against HPV. (2)

Investigate cost/reimbursement of cervical cancer screening and diagnostic follow-up. (14)

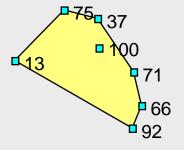
Investigate factors with acceptability of possible prophylactic HPV vaccine among at-risk populations. (59)

Create a state registry of cervical cytology and histology results linked to clinical information and cancer registry. (74)

Test concept of self-administered HPV testing in select populations. (109)



Case Management & Follow-up



Expand breast/cervix cancer programs to provide for treatment of combined illness (13)

Provide case management support for all women with abnormal Pap results (37)

Institutionalize routine cancer screenings as requirement for benchmark practice by PPOs (66)

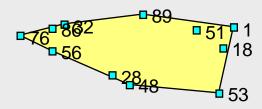
Provide resources to providers (i.e., Managed Care and Fee for Service) and county health departments to ensure follow-up of women with abnormal results (71)

Ensure persons eligible for Medicaid receive screening through the National Breast & Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program (75)

Establish follow-up of abnormal Pap tests as a quality monitor (HEDIS indicator) for health plans. (92)

Implement policies that support in-reach interventions in clinics, emergency departments and hospitals (100)

Expand Screening & Treatment Opportunities



Strengthen workplace health programs that promote risk awareness and appropriate screening. (1)

Promote Pap test screening at worksites (18)

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Offer women incentives to be screened (32)

Provide outreach clinics to rural counties with limited or no county health department. (48)

Develop clear materials/information on the costs of cervical cancer screening vs. cancer treatment (51)

Promote availability of Pap test screening during evening and weekend hours. (53)

Offer free vouchers for screening to groups with limited access to care, such as migrant health workers and the poor (56)

Provide transportation, childcare, and other services to women so they will get to a clinic for care and follow-up (76)

Provide resources for local care or transportation to women to obtain quality treatment for cancer. (86)

Implement a program on wheels (e.g., van) that can go to grocery stores, churches, other non-clinical places women go to in rural communities (89)

Reach High Risk & Underserved

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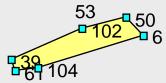
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Recommend and improve ANNUAL screening rates for women at high risk. (104)



Working Session

- At your table
 - You have two clusters to review
 - The labels describe what is in each cluster at a general level
- Review and discuss
 - What are the key ideas that, in your opinion, describe the core issue(s) expressed in this cluster?
 - How did these issues show up in the literature and data review this morning?
 - How are these issues related to the **obstacles** for Cervical Cancer reduction that were described earlier?
 - In your opinion, among the ideas in each cluster, which are,
 - » Most important
 - » Most feasible?
- Prepare to briefly share your key points with the large group

